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MISSOULA--

About 200 elementary school students from Missoula and vicinity will participate in the Third Annual Junior Oral Arts Festival Saturday, May 10, at the University of Montana. The program will be from 8 a.m.-noon on the second and third floors of the UM Liberal Arts (LA) Building. Festival headquarters is in LA 301. Participants will be from grade 1-8.

David M. Fisher, assistant professor of interpersonal communication at UM, festival coordinator, said Saturday's events will include solo, duo, trio, quartet and whole-class participation in readers' theater or choral reading. Time limits will range up to eight minutes for individuals, with a 20-minute maximum for groups. Each entrant will be evaluated and receive an award certificate with rating.

"The purpose of the festival is to encourage knowledge and appreciation of good literature, as well as develop communicative ability through oral interpretation," Fisher said. The UM Department of Interpersonal Communication is sponsoring the one-day event.

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